

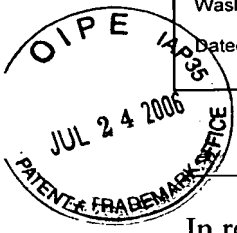
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For: Stem Cell Factor

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.11

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an Office Action, mailed April 20, 2006, in the above application, wherein pending claims 71-90 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraphs, for assertedly lacking enablement and asserted indefiniteness. Reconsideration is requested in light of the following amendments and remarks. This response is due July 20, 2006 without resort to government extensions.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claims set beginning on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.